

Amendments to the claims

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims

1. (Currently amended) A production method for 3,3'-diallyl-4,4'-dihydroxydiphenyl sulfone characterized by subjecting 4,4'-diallyloxydiphenyl sulfone to a rearrangement reaction under microwave irradiation in the presence of a chelate agent.

2. - 8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) The production method for 3,3'-diallyl- 4,4'-dihydroxydiphenyl sulfone according to claim 8 1, characterized in that said chelate agent is ethylenediamine tetraacetic acid or a chelate agent comprising a fused ring containing a nitrogen-containing aromatic ring.

10. (Original) The production method for 3,3'-diallyl-4,4'-dihydroxydiphenyl sulfone according to claim 9, characterized in that the chelate agent containing a fused ring is phenanthroline.

11. (Currently amended) A production method for 3,3'-diallyl-4,4'- dihydroxydiphenyl sulfone according to claim
1, 9 or 10, characterized by subjecting 4,4'-diallyloxydiphenyl sulfone to a rearrangement reaction under microwave irradiation at 230 to 300°C 300°C in the presence of a basic substance or a chelate agent.